

MR. AND MRS. BOWSER.

It Is Not Every Man Who Can Put Up a Door Screen.

The other morning I asked Mr. Bowser if he wouldn't send up a carpenter to hang the screen door to the kitchen, and, after a moment's thought, he replied:

"I'm in no hurry this morning and I'll hang it myself."

"But it's got to have a spring on, you know."

"Well, what of it?"

"Can you—you?"

"If I can't I want to be knocked on the head for an idiot! I've put on more door and gate springs than you've got hairs in your head."

He got the door down from the loft, and after running up and down and backwards and forwards for half an hour his assortment of tools consisted of two saws, an augur, a brace and bit, a plane, a screw driver and screws, a square, compass, a miter box and a tape line.

"Does it require all those tools to hang a screen door?" I queried.

"It may and it may not," he replied.

"Can I assist you in any way?"

"Can you assist me? Mrs. Bowser, you talk as if you didn't regard me as half baked! When I want your valuable assistance I'll send you word on a postal card!"

I retired in good order and remained out of sight twenty minutes. When I returned he had the door on and seemed very well satisfied.

"You'll have to make a slight change in that, Mr. Bowser."

"How?"

"You've hung it top to bottom."

"I have, eh? I'll bet you \$10,000,000 to a cent I haven't."

"Well, look at the knob and the catch and moldings on the panels."

He was fairly beaten, and he realized it, but instead of acknowledging the corn he looked at it for a moment and then quietly said:

"I slipped it on that way to see if you would notice it, but you'd have let it pass if I hadn't called your attention to it!"

In the course of half an hour he made the change and was putting on the spring when I came back. He had never put a spring on a door in his life, and it would not have detracted from his dignity to ask my advice, but he would have died first. He measured for it and began to bore a hole for the screen. After he had worked for two or three minutes I asked:

"Mr. Bowser, which way are you turning that gimlet?"

"What do you mean?" he demanded, as he stopped work.

"You have been turning to the left."

"Of course I have! Whoever heard of turning a boring tool any other way?"

"I have. You may work all day that way and not accomplish anything. That gimlet and all other gimlets turn to the right."

"They do, eh? What a smart wife I have! You had better deliver a series of lectures on mechanism."

"Will you turn to the right?"

"No, ma'am!"

He bored and bored, determined not to give in, and at length I pushed him aside, and turned the gimlet to the right and had it into the wood in no time.

"Didn't I tell you so, Mr. Bowser?"

"Well, the man who made that gimlet deserves state prison! It's the first one I ever saw that turned to the right, and I had seen millions of them before you were born."

"Can you put the spring on alone?"

"Mrs. Bowser," he answered, after glaring at me in a chilled steel way for half a minute, "perhaps I ought to be in the idiot asylum, and perhaps I do know enough to come in when it rains. You will oblige me very much by going into the house and knocking that scuffling young 'un on the head."

It was half an hour before I dared make an excuse to get out again. By that time Mr. Bowser had the spring on, but the door stood open instead of shut. He was standing in a deep study.

"I know what ails it, Mr. Bowser."

"How shrewd!"

"When you tightened the spring up you turned it to the right. That throws the door open. If you'll tighten to the left, the door will spring shut."

He sat down on the steps and looked at me with twelve different shades of irony and sarcasm in his expression, and finally deigned to reply:

"Where did you learn all you know?"

"Will you fix that spring as I tell you?"

"No, ma'am, I won't! I've been looking it over, and I know where the trouble is. It's a spring for a left hand door. I should have seen it at the outset if you hadn't been bothering around."

"I can make that spring work on this door."

"Mrs. Bowser, I wouldn't have your conceit for no money. No wonder you haven't a single friend in this neighborhood."

"I have all I want, and I can fix that spring in two minutes."

"Never! You simply want an opportunity to break it. You'd tear the whole kitchen down for the sake of carrying your point. Go in and mail that howling baby some more."

I grabbed the wrench from his hands, loosened the spring and then turned it the other way, and lo! the door shut and was held stiff in its place, as was designed.

"There! Mr. Bowser!"

"There what?"

"The spring shuts the door."

"I don't see it."

"But look! Did you ever see a door work nice?"

"It doesn't work at all."

"But see!"

"I see a ruined door, just as I expected to see, and now I must get an entire new screen! Mrs. Bowser, I have borne from you until the limit is about reached. Don't provoke me to desperation. Husbands rendered desperate by persistent and malicious nagging have been known to arise at midnight and wipe out the whole family!"—Detroit Free Press.

The Invariable Rule.

The first impulse of a boy with a new watch is to assure himself that none of its 175 parts are missing.—Jewelers' Weekly.

Needed No Sympathy.

"I am truly sorry, Johnny," said the friend of the family, meeting the little boy on the street, "to learn that your father's house was burned down yesterday. Was nothing saved?"

"Don't you waste no grief on me," replied Johnny. "All of paw's old clothes was burned up in that fire, and maw can't make any of 'em over for me this time. Tum-tiddle-lum-tum whoop-de-doodle-doo!"—Chicago Tribune.

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"Good-by. Say (addressing the conductor), who is that red-headed man?"

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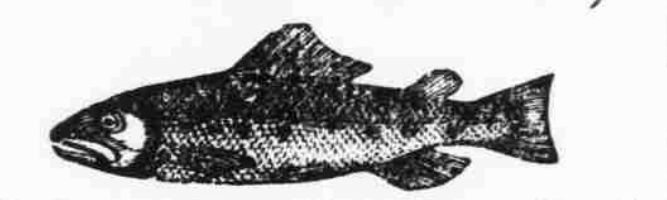


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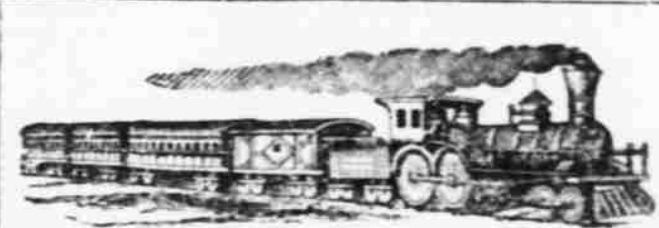
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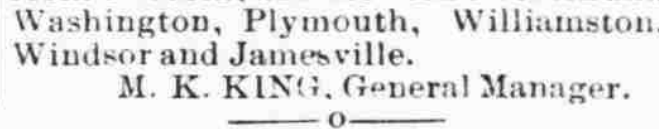
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